

**IDAHO BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY**  
**Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses**  
P.O. Box 83720  
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**Minutes of 9/20/2021**

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**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Justin Kobbe Solace - Chair  
Mary Jo White, D.C.  
Riki Nagle-Ker  
Carla A. Steen

**DIVISION STAFF:** Anne Lawler, Bureau Chief  
Julie Eavenson, Licensing Group Manager  
Lori Peel, Investigative Unit Manager  
Nicholas Crema, General Counsel  
Eric Nelson, Board Prosecutor  
Cesley Metcalfe, Team Lead  
Candace Villarreal, Board Specialist

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Laura Embleton, Government Relations Director,  
Associated Bodywork & Massage Professionals  
Heather Kazmark, American Massage Therapy  
Association  
Lance Giles, Eiguren Ellis Public Policy

The meeting was called to order at 9:56 AM MDT by Justin Kobbe Solace.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Ms. Nagle-Ker made a motion to approve the minutes of 5/10/2021 with modifications. It was seconded by Ms. Steen. Motion carried.

**LAWS AND RULES**

Mr. Crema presented a legislative update. He stated that since the House did not adjourn sine die, the Division administrator, was given the authority during the legislative session to make the temporary rules effective. He stated that the temporary rules became effective July 1, 2021, and that the rules are slated to be published in the legislative bulletin on October 20, 2021.

At 10:01 AM MDT Dr. White, joined the meeting and Ms. Steen left the meeting.

## **INTRODUCTIONS**

Ms. Lawler introduced herself to the Board as the new Bureau Chief for the Occupational Section of the Division.

## **DIVISION UPDATE**

Ms. Lawler stated that HB318 combined 48 self-governing licensure Boards under the Division; that there will be sixteen Boards in each of three Bureau sections including Occupational Licenses, Health Professions, and Building, Construction and Real Estate; and that the finances for all Boards have now been combined, which allows the Division to reorganize staff to create greater efficiencies. She also stated that virtual meetings will continue because of the change in the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines, and that the Division is slated to move into its permanent office by 7/1/2022.

## **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Ms. Eavenson gave the financial report, which indicated that the Board had a cash balance of \$455,337.04 as of 6/30/2021.

## **TO DO LIST**

The Board reviewed the To Do List, and no action was taken.

## **SET NEXT MEETING DATE**

**NEXT MEETING is scheduled for January 24, 2022, at 9:30 AM MDT.**

ANOTHER MEETING is scheduled for April 11, 2022, at 9:30 AM MST.

ANOTHER MEETING is scheduled for July 11, 2022, at 9:30 AM MST.

## **BOARD BUSINESS**

### **BOARD ELECTIONS**

Dr. White made a motion to nominate Ms. Steen as Board vice-chair and Mr. Kobbe-Solace as Board chair. It was seconded by Ms. Nagle-Ker. The vote was: Mr. Kobbe Solace, aye; Ms. Nagle-Ker, aye; Dr. White, aye. Motion carried.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ms. Laura Embleton, Government Relations Director for the Associated Bodywork & Massage Professionals (ABMP), was recognized by the Board Chair, and asked about date of the Massage Board Sunset review, and stated that the ABMP will be available, if needed, when the time comes for the review. Ms. Lawler stated that, Tim Frost, the legislative liaison, is closely monitoring the upcoming review, and that the

Board will begin work on the review in 2022. Mr. Lance Giles, Eiguren Ellis Public Policy, stated that SB1084 did pass, and that The Idaho Board of Massage Therapy will be one of the first Boards up for review in 2023. No Action was taken.

## **REVIEW CONTINUING EDUCATION (CEU) APPROVAL APPLICATION**

The Board postponed its discussion of the continuing education (CEU) approval application until the January 24, 2022, Board meeting. No action was taken.

## **COMPLAINT MEMORANDUM**

Ms. Peel gave the investigative report, which is linked above.

## **CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE AND UPDATES**

The Board discussed the upcoming Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards (FSMTB) annual meeting will be held virtually on October 8, 2021. Ms. Nagle-Ker made a motion to allow the Board member to participate, and vote on behalf of the Board. It was seconded by Dr. White. Motion carried.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Ms. Nagle-Ker made a motion that the Board go into executive session under Idaho Code § 74-206(1)(d) to consider records that are exempt from disclosure under the Idaho Public Records Law, Idaho Code § 74-106(9). The purpose of the executive session was to discuss documents relating to the fitness of a licensee to retain a license or registration. It was seconded by Dr. White. The vote was: Ms. Nagle-Ker, aye; Dr. White, aye; and Mr. Kobbe-Solace, aye. Motion carried.

Ms. Nagle-Ker made a motion to come out of executive session. It was seconded by Dr. White. Motion carried.

## **FOR BOARD DETERMINATION**

Mr. Nelson presented a Stipulation and Consent Order regarding case number: MAS-2021-5. Ms. Nagle-Ker made a motion to accept the Consent Order and to allow the Board chair to sign on behalf of the Board. It was seconded by Dr. White. The vote was: Ms. Nagle-Ker, aye; Dr. White, aye; and Mr. Kobbe-Solace, aye. Motion carried.

## **APPLICATIONS**

Ms. Nagle-Ker made a motion to approve the following for licensure:

Yevgeniy Ampleyev	MASA-4449
Bernita Lee	MASA-4455
Mersade Travis	MASA-4482

Jay Breen

MASA-4531

It was seconded by Dr. White. Motion carried.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Ms. Nagle-Ker made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:22 AM MDT. It was seconded by Dr. White. Motion carried.

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Justin Kobbe Solace, Chair